NEWS RELEASE



Today's Date: August 23, 2010

District: District 2 - Redding

Contact: Michael Mayor

Phone: (530) 225-3214

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CALTRANS USES RECYCLED TIRES TO COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION ON U.S ROUTE 395

Modoc County – Caltrans today announced the completion of \$2.1 million project that used recycled tires to resurface nearly 23 miles of U.S. Route 395 from Alturas to the Lassen/Modoc county line – keeping those tires out of California landfills. The project was funded entirely by President Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act).

"My Administration is committed to making sure that money from the Recovery Act is being pumped into California quickly and responsibly to stimulate the economy and in this instance - invest in the future of California's transportation infrastructure," said Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger.

The new, environmentally friendly pavement is expected to last up to seven years. Resurfacing U.S. 395 now while the pavement is still in good condition instead of waiting until it deteriorates will save the state hundreds of thousands of dollars.

"With the help of the Recovery Act, we are improving highways in every region of California and at the same time helping the state's economy by providing transportation-related jobs," said Caltrans Director Cindy McKim.

Under Governor Schwarzenegger's leadership, California has obligated nearly \$2.5 billion in Recovery Act funding to 946 highway, local street and job training transportation projects statewide. For more information on the Recovery Act visit: http://recovery.ca.gov/